

Proclamation Presented to

Honolulu Waldorf School

WHEREAS, Honolulu Waldorf School, founded in 1961, is a coeducational, independent school serving more than 300 local children from early childhood through high school; Waldorf Education is the fastest growing independent educational movement in the world, with more than 900 Waldorf schools in 83 countries worldwide; and

WHEREAS, Honolulu Waldorf School is based on the educational insights of Dr. Rudolf Steiner; the Waldorf curriculum is structured to respond to the three developmental phases of childhood: from birth to 6-7 years, from 7-14 years and from 14-18 years; Dr. Steiner stressed to teachers that the best way to provide meaningful support for students is to comprehend these phases fully and to bring "age appropriate" content to the student that nourishes healthy growth; and

WHEREAS, Honolulu Waldorf School has been taking a boldly innovative approach to education, integrating the arts with classically-based academic subjects, encouraging students to think critically, formulate profound questions, problem-solve, take risks and create experience-based memory; and

WHEREAS, Honolulu Waldorf School's goal is to make learning enjoyable for students; Honolulu Waldorf School encourages students to express their creativity and curiosity; and

WHEREAS, Honolulu Waldorf School will be celebrating its 50th Anniversary from October 7-9, 2011;

THEREFORE I, NEIL ABERCROMBIE, Governor, and I, BRIAN SCHATZ, Lieutenant Governor of the State of Hawai'i, do hereby proclaim the week of October 3-9, 2011 as

"HONOLULU WALDORF SCHOOL WEEK"

in Hawai'i and urge the people of the Aloha State to join us in recognizing Honolulu Waldorf School for its outstanding contributions to education.

DONE at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this third day of October, 2011.

NEW ABERCROMBIE

Governor, State of Hawai'i

BRIAN SCHATZ

Lt. Governor, State of Hawai'i